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1. Ibrahim ABU-DAYYI, since his recent return from a visit to the Grand Mufti in Cairo, has told source that the Mufti is sending members of the Moslem Brotherhood to the various refugee comps in the Middle East to build support for the Mufti.

- 2. The Mufti indicated to ABU-DAYYI that the new head of the Brotherhood would be a Syrian, but not Shaykh Mustafa al-# SIBA'I; it would be a younger man.
- Source states that ABU-DAYYI told him that relations between the Mufti and (King FARUK are steadily improving.
- 4. The Mufti indicated to <u>source</u> that he would not deal with the Soviets unless his position suddenly deteriorated. ABU-DAYYI said the Mufti told him he does not trust the Soviets.

Pield Notes:

ABU-DAYYI's trip to Cairo has been reported in RLB's-1958, 1972, and 1991.

For Shaykh al-SIBA'I, see RLB's-1932, 2011, etc.

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